House Resolution No. 1181

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives take tremendous pleasure in recognizing those governmental employees who have brought honor to the Show-Me State through their professionalism and willingness to intervene in life-threatening situations; and

Whereas, Corrections Officer I Christopher Ryan Adams of Jefferson City, Missouri, will be awarded the Missouri Department of Corrections Lifesaver Award during ceremonies to be held on March 25, 2005, at the Jefferson City Correctional Center; and

Whereas, on June 10, 2003, there was a fire reported in a housing unit at the Missouri State Penitentiary in Jefferson City; and

Whereas, Officer Adams responded immediately and observed heavy black smoke coming from one of the cells; and

Whereas, upon arriving at the cell, Officer Adams saw an offender inside the cell and yelled to gain the offender's attention; and

Whereas, when the offender failed to respond, Officer Adams entered the smoke-filled cell and removed the offender to a safe area and then re-entered the cell and extinguished the fire; and

Whereas, Christopher Adams' dedication to his profession, his ability to remain calm in a stressful situation, and his competence to react with sound judgement utilizing skills learned in Department training helped save the life of the offender:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the training and practices of CO I Christopher Adams and to congratulate him upon his well-deserved selection to receive the Department of Corrections Lifesaver Award; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Corrections Officer Christopher Ryan Adams, as a measure of our esteem for him.

Offered by
Representative Mark J. Bruns
District No. 113
I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 1181, adopted March 10, 2005.
Rod Jetton, Speaker